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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence  
SUBJECT : Secrecy Agreements

Sir:

1. [ ] has called it to my attention that [ ] Handbook of Required Regulatory Readings, does not mention anything about secrecy agreements. I believe it was your thought that this important requirement should be covered in the handbook.

2. This is to advise that the secrecy agreement issue was addressed by the Management Committee in its deliberations on Limitations on Outside Activities (MCA-93), and it is likely we will focus on the same issue in the very near future, when MCA-106 is discussed. Attached to my memorandum of 29 October 1974 in MCA-106 is a draft notice which covers Headquarters Regulation [ ] and the importance of protecting intelligence sources and methods. The draft notice does not specifically refer to the secrecy agreement, but that can be remedied quite easily, because it is inherently related.

3. Arrangements could be made to immediately issue a notice, but I think the more orderly and appropriate course of action is to wait for the Management Committee review of MCA-106, when we might reach a clear consensus on the correct legal language in making the regulatory change. Once that is done, I will make sure the material is incorporated into the Handbook of Regulatory Readings.

/s/John E. Blake

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